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LXXXI.

in continual repair, the said bridge, and all its profits, shall be and the same is hereby vested in the said proprietors, their heirs and assigns, for ever, as tenants in common, in proportion to their respective shares; and it shall and may be lawful for the said proprietors, at all times hereafter, for the term of fifty years, to demand and receive such reasonable tax or toll as they may from time to time agree on and require, provided they shall not at any time demand or receive more than two thirds (a) of the present rates of ferriage to and from George-town; which rates or tolls shall at all times be made public, and shall not be altered or changed oftener than once in each year; and at the expiration of the said term of fifty years, the said directors shall receive such tolls as shall be regulated by the legislature of this state, or of the United States should the said bridge be erected within the jurisdiction of the United States.

(a) By 1797, ch. 41, they may receive tolls equal to the rates at George-town on all articles except waggons and carts, which are to remain as directed by this act. This regulation not to take effect till the assent of the stockholders in the company shall be given and notified, under the hands and seals of the directors, to the governor and council, to be lodged among their proceedings.

N. B. The assent of the stockholders has been given, dated January 6th, 1798.

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Passed 30th of
Dec. 1791.
1790, ch. 32.

A Supplement to an act, * entitled, An act to freighten and amend the several public roads in the several counties, and for other purposes therein mentioned. Lib. JG. No. 1. fol. 533.

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is found necessary to alter and explain some of the public roads established under said act in Frederick county, to strike out some of the said roads and add others, to add more public roads in Washington county, three roads in Allegany county, and to make other alterations in and additions to the said act;

Roads established, &c.

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the following roads shall be, and they are hereby declared to be, established and ordered to be laid out, surveyed, marked and bounded, in the manner as in the above recited act is directed, as and for the public market roads in Frederick county, under said act, to wit: One road from the west end of Patrick-street, in Frederick-town, to pass through Middle-town to Washington county line, by Peter Bainbridge's; one other road from Middle-town to the Washington county line in Turner's Gap; one other road from the last mentioned road to the Washington county line in Foxe's Gap, in the South Mountain; one other road from the east end of Patrick-street, in Frederick-town, to cross Monocacy at Gomer's ferry, thence by William Hobbs's to meet the Anne-Arundel county road leading from the Baltimore turnpike road towards Frederick-town; (b) one other road from Frederick-town towards George-town to the line of Montgomery county; one other road from the county line at Charlton's Gap, in the South Mountain, as located and laid down under a former act of assembly, through the said mountain, then by the nearest direction through the county to Liberty-town, and from thence to meet the Baltimore turnpike road; one other road from the end of the Baltimore county turnpike road at Winchester-town, through Taney-town and Emmitsburgh to the Pennsylvania line, near Nicholson's Gap; and one other road from Liberty-town to William Beatty's plantation, to cross Monocacy at the ferry next above the mouth of Israel's creek, to Frederick-town, as located.

(b) By 1797, ch. 67, such part of this road as lies in Baltimore county is to be taken as a public highway, and kept up and repaired at the county charge as other public roads in Baltimore.

Two roads to be laid out, &c.

III. AND BE IT ENACTED, That a road in Washington county, leading from Foxe's Gap, in the South Mountain, to the town of Sharpesburgh, and from thence to Swearingen's ferry, on Patowmack river; and one other road from Hancock's-town, as the old road goes, to Sidling Hill creek, shall be laid out, freightened, marked and bounded, as and for two of the public roads of the said county.

Commissioners, continued, &c.

IV. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the commissioners appointed by the foregoing act, on the three first and last mentioned roads in Frederick county, be and they are hereby continued as commissioners on the said roads, and that Robert Cummins, Abraham Haaf and Alexander Warfield, senior, be and are hereby appointed commissioners on the road leading from Charlton's Gap through Liberty-town, in Frederick county, to the Baltimore turnpike road; and that Joshua Gift, Joseph Taney and John Murray Byard, be and are hereby appointed commissioners on the road leading from the Baltimore turnpike road through Winchester-town, Taney-town and Emmitsburgh, towards Nicholson's Gap; and that William Good, Jacob Hefs and Christopher Orendorff, of Washington county, be and are hereby appointed commissioners on the road leading from Foxe's Gap to Swearingen's ferry; and that Barnard Johnson, John Donovan and Patrick Golding, be and are hereby appointed commissioners

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